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State files pollution lawsuit against landfill

Attorney General Dana Nessel, on behalf of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), filed a civil lawsuit last Friday claiming the operator of the Arbor Hills Landfill in Salem Township is failing to comply with state and federal regulations and endangering the public health, safety and welfare.

Nessel and EGLE are seeking injunctive relief in Ingham County 30th Circuit Court to require Advanced Disposal Services Arbor Hills Landfill Inc. to operate the landfill in compliance with state and federal law for air quality and solid waste management.

"The operator of the Arbor Hills Landfill has continually demonstrated a blatant disregard for the serious concerns raised by community members and the state," Nessel said. "This site has been a nuisance for years and the potential threat to the health of nearby residents is significant. At this juncture, legal action is clearly a necessity and my office will support EGLE's enforcement efforts so that our residents' health and our natural resources are not subjected to the hazardous pollution created by this landfill."

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise, left, Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix, Northville Mayor Brian Turnbull and State Attorney General Dana Nessel discuss the lawsuit against Arbor Hills Landfill filed last week. Photo by Don Howard

The suit alleges that Advanced Disposal Services has consistently failed to install an adequate collection and control system to capture gas generated from both active and non-active areas of the landfill and failed to address leachate issues at its landfill. The operator indicated it would fix these problems but has failed to act.

Leachate is the liquid that gathers along the bottom double-liner of a landfill and can include liquid from the waste itself, rainwater and other outside sources. If not properly managed and removed, it can build up and potentially contaminate groundwater and other water resources.

"Our goal is to ensure Arbor Hills Landfill is not a nuisance to neighbors, and that the facility operates safely in compliance with state and federal laws for air quality and waste management," said EGLE Director Liesl Clark.

Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix was gratified, he said, by the legal action.

"For over five years, Northville Township residents have been exposed to noxious and offensive odors from the Arbor Hills landfill. This lawsuit is the most effective way to eliminate the odor nuisance caused by the landfill. A special thanks to our coalition partners; The Conservancy Initiative, the City of Northville, Northville School Board, Plymouth Township, Sen. Dayna Polehanki and State Rep. Matt Koleszar for their continued support in our battle with the landfill and our ongoing effort to stop the expansion of this landfill. I also want to thank and recognize the hours and hours that our township

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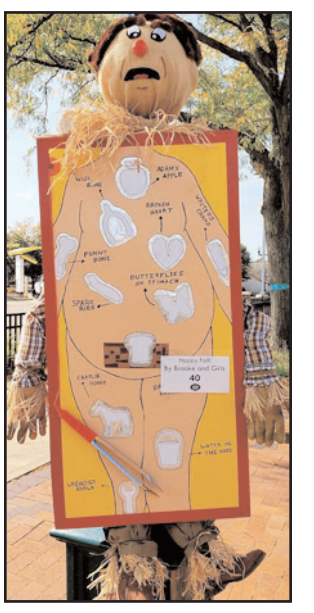
General Motors to invest $17 million in Romulus

The General Motors plant in Romulus will see $17 million in renovations as the automaker begins plans to "move production to the next level."

General Motors officials said the company will invest more than $100 million in several Michigan plants along with the transition of the Spring Hill TN plant to electric-vehicle manufacturing of the Cadillac LYRIQ.

In the Romulus propulsion plant, the investment will fund enhance automation and increased capacity of the 10-speed truck transmissions produced there. Those components are used in several GM vehicles, according to the company. The Flint Assembly Plant will see a $32 million investment, The Orion Assembly plant will see an investment of $3.5 million, the Brownstown Township site will receive $750,000 for additional production of the Cruse AV test vehicle and the company will spend $100 million to improve production of the GMC Acadia to Lansing Delta Township Assembly plant. "We are committed to investing in the U.S., our employees and our communities," said GM Chairman and CEO Mary Barra.

"These investments underscore the success of our vehicles today, and our vision of an all-electric future," she added



Super scary stuff

A display of Halloween spirit is evident at a home on Winifred Street, upper left, in Wayne where owners have decorated the front yard with all manner of spooky figures and colored lights, all for the entertainment of neighbors and visitors. Several more decorations have been added as the holiday approaches on Saturday. Also in the spirit of Halloween are Brooke Wess and her daughters whose entry, above right, was chosen as the Facebook Favorite of the Scarecrow display in downtown Wayne. Wess participates in the event every year and her entries are always favorites of the crowd. Not to be outdone, left, is a home on Pierce Street in Wayne where three Halloween skeletons enjoy the warmth of a campfire while awaiting any brave trick or treaters willing to walk past them Saturday evening to celebrate the holiday. Wayne photo by Sean Rhaesa

Canton

Canton plans traditional holiday gift market

Area residents can get started on holiday shopping this Sunday in Canton Township.

Unique gift and holiday items will be featured at The Third Annual Holiday Artisan Market set for noon until 4 p.m. Nov. 1 at the Summit on the Park Banquet Center.

Presented by the Canton Farmers Market, the special market will feature handmade gifts created by some of the top artisans and crafters in the area. Participating vendors include: Boblin Honey - Honey; Cathy V - Knitted Toys, Baby Booties, Knitted Rattles; Candle Heaven - Candles & Wax Melts; Designs by Della - Christmas Pillows/Blankets, Travel Accessories, Masks; Golden Wheat - French Bread & Pastries; Great Lakes Natural Soap Co. - Soap & Skin Care; Indigo & Jade - Bath and Body Products; Jan's Crafts & Such Gifts - Wreaths & Home Décor; Olde Crow Primitives - Wooden Seasonal Decor; One Tough Cookie - Sugar Cookies, Cookie Decorating Kits; Purple Frog Jewelry - Jewelry; Radiant Rock Bracelets - Bracelets; Royal Court Creations - Home Decor, Masks/Ear Savers; SDS Woodworking - Vinyl Art; Shabby Chick - Decorated Mason Jars; Spicegrrrl - Spice Blends; Uniquely Different - Holiday Jewelry, Diffuser Bracelets, Home Décor and White Pansy Boutique - Kitchen Towels, Cutting Boards, Coasters. In addition, tasty treats will be available from the Great Lakes Confections food truck.

"We're excited to be able to bring back local artists and crafters to share their talents during this special market, just in time for the holidays," said Canton Farmers Market Manager Jennifer Franz. "This popular annual event offers shoppers a chance to shop locally and support our community's artisans, who look forward to sharing their handcrafted goods here each year."

Summit on the Park is located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. Masks must be worn at all times and social distancing guidelines must also be adhered to at all times.

Participating vendors in the 2019 Holiday Artisan Market pose for photos at their booths. Photo courtesy of Canton Leisure Services.

Additional information about the Third Annual Holiday Artisan Market is available at www.cantonfun.org/496 or on Facebook @Canton Farmers Market.

Historical Society board seeking new volunteers

The Canton Historical Society, a volunteer organization dedicated to the preservation of local historical information and resources in the township, is currently accepting letters of interest to fill three board member positions.

The Canton Historical Society offers valuable opportunities for individuals interested in helping keep the history of Canton alive, organizers said. Once appointed, these volunteer board members will begin a three-year term starting in 2021.

"The Canton Historical Society is excited to welcome new board members to help safeguard Canton's historical identity and build on all of the educational and preservation successes that our organization has achieved," said Bill Tesen, Canton Historical Society president. "It's important to continually integrate fresh ideas to help effectively retain Canton's rich past for future generations to come."

Canton Historical Society board members will help with the preservation of artifacts, relics, documents, and historic sites.

The society will provide historical education to members and the public through educational, cultural, social programs and projects.

Interested individuals should forward a brief resume to cantonhist@comcast.net.

Questions may be directed to Tesen by calling (734) 844-1374.

Combined bond sales to save township $130,000

Two bond sales for Canton Township were combined, and received a favorable 1.7 percent interest rate earlier this month.

The township Capital Improvement budget will save some $130,000 a year each year, over the life of that bond, officials said during a recent meeting.

"So it's basically free money," said township Supervisor Pat Williams, following an Oct. 6 township board of trustees approval vote. Trustee Sommer Foster was absent.

At that meeting, Williams said the revote was "on an issue that we voted on previously," a bond authorizing resolution. The vote means $16 million for the Capital Improvement plan for 2019 through 2023.

At that meeting, which took place at the Cherry Hill Village Theatre, bond counsel Eric Sabree explained the procedures, including a "commonly used" bond sales newspaper for such announcements. The Canton Board of Trustees had earlier voted on bond money use, but a Michigan Supreme Court recent ruling impacted Zoom/remote meetings compared to in-person gatherings.

The selling of bonds was due at 11 a.m. that morning, Oct. 6, and took place on time, with township Finance and Budget Director Wendy Trumbull also taking questions.

Canton joins other municipalities in returning to in-person municipal meetings. Williams noted "hybrid" meetings with some continued use of Zoom as well as in-person.

"The Canton Township government continues to function," he said.

Fire department awarded $300,000 in grant funding

The Canton Township Fire Department was awarded a $300,000 federal Assistance to Firefighter Grant recently.

The grant was part of a regional application submitted earlier this year by several neighboring communities. The Canton portion of the grant award will require a 10 percent match from the township for the purchase of 10 ECK monitors, officials said.

"These new monitors will equip the department with the latest technology for treating patients within the community. EKG monitors are critical pieces of equipment in providing Advanced Life Support treatment," explained Fire Chief Chris Stoecklein in a prepared statement. The new monitors will replace the current inventory in the department, he explained, as those devices are nearing the end of their useable life span.

The federal Assistance to Firefighter Grant program provides funding to assist municipal fire departments throughout the country. This is the third regional grant the Canton Fire Department has been awarded through AFG in the past seven years, Stoecklein said.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton will be holding a virtual Zoom **Public Hearing regarding the adoption of the 2021 Budget** on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 5:00 PM. A copy of the 2021 Budget will be available for public inspection at the Township's Clerk's office.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend by accessing the Zoom meeting on the Canton Township Website at www.canton-mi.org and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to voice any comments they may have regarding this request. Written comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 prior to the hearing date.

Michael A. Siegrist,
Canton Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

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Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

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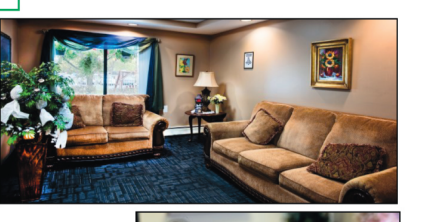

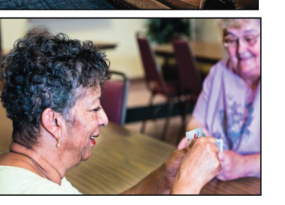

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INKSTER - ROMULUS

Inkster High alumni wins prestigious award

A 1965 graduate of Inkster High School has been awarded the highest honor of the Blacks in Government Association (BIG).

During the National Delegates Assembly of the organization earlier this year, Calvin Stevens, a former Inkster resident, was awarded the Distinguished Service Hall of Fame Award. He is one of only 43 members worldwide to have achieved the honor and is now referred to as "the honorable" in his title. Stevens, who has worked with the organization since joining in 1996, is the Region IV Council president, and has worked at the local, regional and national levels. He is a resident of South DeKalb, GA.

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When he joined BIG, he was working with the U.S. General Services Administration but retired in 2009 as Supervisor Marketing Specialist.

While at Inkster High School, he served as senior class president and was a drum major and percussionist in the varsity band. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in business administration with a minor in economics from Davenport University. He has studied at numerous universities, including Georgia State University, George Washington University and Fort Valley State University. He completed the USDA Graduate School Executive Potential Program and Management Development Seminar; the highly acclaimed Senior Executive Fellows Program at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Stevens, a featured speaker, motivator and presenter, was the keynote speaker at the 50th commencement celebration at Inkster High School. He is also an author, publishing Four Steps in Developing Your A.C.E. (Attitude, Commitment and Enthusiasm). Stevens retired in 2007 as a first sergeant for the 94 Civil Engineer Squadron, Dobbins Air Reserve Base, GA.

The BIG Distinguished Service Hall of Fame Award is reserved for members who have made "exceptional contributions" at the national, regional, and local levels over a period of no less than 15 years. Nominees for the honor must be recommended by their chapter and regional councils and verified for eligibility by the National Board of Directors of BIG.

The organization was founded in Washington, D.C., in 1975 by Black female federal employees who wanted to be sure they received their fair share of career opportunities. Today, the now international organization focuses on training and career development while providing assistance to government employees who feel they have been discriminated against in the workplace, according to Stevens, who has retired from government service but still volunteers with the group. He added that despite the name the organization is not open only to Black government employees. "Anyone who embraces the spirit of our work is welcome to join us," Stevens said.

"I'm a living testimony to its benefits," said Stevens, noting that he has seen the organization make a difference in his career and in the lives and careers of other government employees. "Ive seen smart, capable people who were able to live up to their potential because BIG helped them get the training and mentoring to move along the right career path."

During his years with BIG, Stevens has received many recognitions, including the 2013 Region IV Council BIG President's Award, the 2006 BIG National Presidential Award, the 2005 Region IV Distinguished Service Award, and the Atlanta Metro Chapter 20th Anniversary Leadership Award. "But this is the major one," he said of his recent honor. "I'm so excited. I'm not sure it's fully sunk in with me that I actually was chosen for this recognition."

Calvin Stevens

Stevens and his wife, Eleanor, are the parents of three adult children and grandparents of three.

City officials offer traffic detour advice to voters

As construction continues on Wick Road, the City of Romulus is working to provide information to voters, particularly as it relates to traffic flow on Election Day. The Wick Middle School polling location will remain accessible to the three precincts it serves via alternate routes that are available.

Construction is currently in the process to replace water mains underneath 3.5 miles of pavement on Wick Road. The project began in April 2020 and is expected to be completed in August 2021, with most of the road open to vehicles by the end of November 2020. As a result of the construction project, the City of Romulus will receive 3.5 miles of new pavement estimated at $7 million in value-at no additional cost to the city or taxpayers-for a road that was in poor condition and in need of repairs.

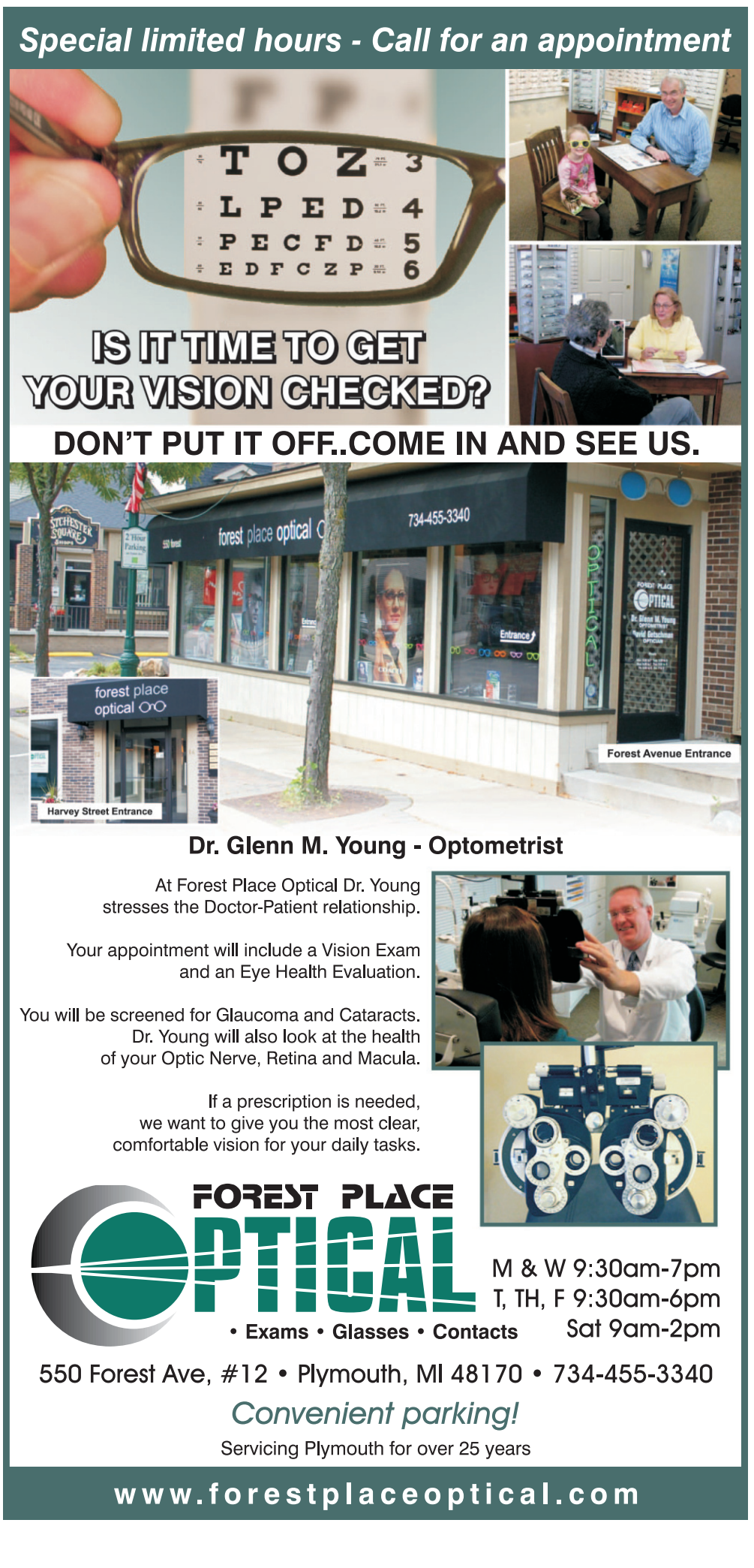
"We want to ensure all residents have the information they need to avoid the construction areas and have a seamless Election Day experience," said Roberto Scappaticci, director of the Public Works Department. "We are thankful for residents' continued patience as work is under way to complete this construction project, which will secure miles of brand-new pavement at no cost to taxpayers."

Construction will pause on Election Day and temporary pavement will be placed to allow residents to safely enter and exit Wick Middle School. Romulus has created and mailed a pamphlet and post card to residents that includes a map of the construction zone and multiple detour routes. Construction and detour signs will also be placed around the area on Election Day to help residents navigate to and from the middle school.

"I want to reassure the residents in our wonderful city, that the number one priority is maintaining election integrity which includes equitable access to polling locations," said Romulus City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg.

"The collaboration between the mayor, his administration and the clerk's office has been tremendous in mitigating the inconvenience of the Wick Road construction. Together, we are at work to limit the impact of the commute come Nov. 3. Alternative routes and signage are being put in place so that anyone who chooses to vote, in-person, at a polling location will have access to that location," she said.

For election information and inquiries, email elections@romulusgov.com or call the clerk's office, (734) 942-7540, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.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Northville - Plymouth

New industrial development is officially open

Jaimey Roth, left, of Hillside Development, Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise, Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix cut the ribbon at Ridge 5 Corporate Park.

Local and county officials gathered at the former site of the Detroit House of Corrections prison, (DeHoCo) last week for the official opening of the new Ridge 5 Corporate Park in Plymouth Township..

The 60-acre Michigan International Technology Center, (MITC) celebrated the completion of the critical infrastructure at Ridge 5 Corporate Park in Plymouth Township. The project is being prepared for high-tech and research and development companies as part of a development collaborative. The park, a 60-acre industrial subdivision within 800 acres, is developed and managed by Hillside Investments. Located at the southwest corner of Ridge Road and Five Mile Road, the project has nine custom, build-to-suit lots designed to house international high-tech, light industrial, and research and development corporations. Total capital investment for the project is estimated at $100 million. Construction began in 2019 and is expected to be complete by 2026. Ridge 5 can support buildings from 20,000-250,000 square feet and is close to many of the region's technology companies. It is bordered by the Johnson Creek as well as woodlands and wetlands. "Members of the Ridge 5 community will find themselves in a serene setting with beautiful views in all directions," said Jaimey Roth, principal of Hillside.

Wayne County Executive Warren C. Evans was among the speakers helping to open the development along with Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise; Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix and Roth.

The land was once part of the prison farm at the Detroit House of Corrections from the 1920s through the 1980s. It later became a state correctional facility but closed permanently in 2004. It was redeveloped into the MITC in 2017.

Volunteers needed for 3 new city task forces

Northville residents interested in serving on any of three newly approved task forces in the city have until Nov. 10 to submit a letter of interest to city officials.

The three task forces were approved by members of the city council at their regular meeting earlier this month. The purpose, officials said, is to bring people in the community together to work toward the betterment of Ford Field, the Farmers' Market and Rouge River Restoration. The task forces need volunteers to help make that vision a reality, they added.

Members of the new Ford Field Task Force will be charged with creating a plan to re-establish Ford Field as a central gathering space. Roles of the volunteers will include gaining input from community stakeholders, establishing a vision for Ford Field as a central park, producing a needs assessment and management plan, and identifying funding opportunities such as grants and partnerships.

Volunteers serving on the new Farmers' Market Task Force will be responsible for investigating options for future Farmers' Market operations. Roles of the task force members will include establishing a vision for the market, assessing the needs of all stakeholders, identifying and evaluating potential locations, and identifying funding opportunities such as grants and partnerships.

The newly-appointed members of the Rouge Restoration Task Force will be charged with creating a plan to restore the ecological health of city waterways while improving public access and recreation through the implementation of a trail system referred to as "The Riverwalk." Roles of the members will include creating a framework plan from which a strategic plan will be developed, conducting a needs assessment, documenting current conditions, identifying grant sources, and producing cost estimates and concept drawing

Volunteers can submit a letter of interest indicating their preferred task force and the background or expertise they would bring to the group to Northville City Hall, 215 West Main St., Northville, MI 48167 by Nov. 10. The letters of interest will be reviewed by Mayor Brian Turnbull and another member of the city council and appointments will be made at the Nov. 16 city council meeting.

Meeting dates and times for each of these task forces will be determined by the new task force members.

Carl's Golfland donation will aid Vietnam veterans

The COVID-19 pandemic poses a serious threat to a segment of the population that is owed a debt of gratitude.

As Veterans' Day approaches, those who have already fought for their country are among those most susceptible to the devastating effects of the virus. One Plymouth Township business recently donated $625,000 to the Vietnam Veterans of America organization to help the fight against the coronavirus.

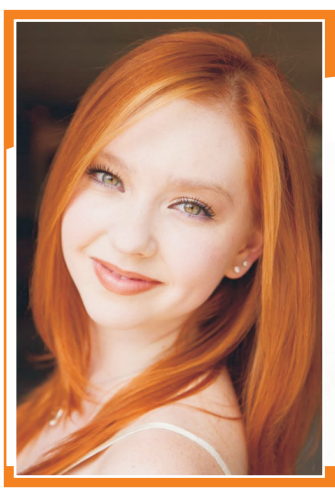
Carl's Golfland, with locations in Bloomfield Township and Plymouth, distributed the final contribution last week, raised from the sale of #ShankThisVirus t-shirts, personal donations and a $100,000 donation from owner Carl Rose Jr.

"We are grateful to the thousands of people who supported the #ShankThisVirus campaign," Rose said in a prepared statement. "It is a testament to the golfing community that we were able to help so much in this time of need."

The effort to help veterans began in April when Carl's, like thousands of other businesses, began to increase online sales. Carl's announced a $100,000 donation during a May televised exhibition match featuring Dustin Johnson, Rory McIlroy, Rickie Fowler and Matthew Wolff.

"When COVID-19 hit, our organization was forced to scale back our work even as we were studying the impact of the virus on aging veterans," John Rowan, national president for Vietnam Veterans of America, said in a statement. The organization is based in Maryland.

"This donation will help us to continue our work and restore services and outreach to our members," Rowan said.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1. Obituaries

Frederick F. "Fred" Johnson

Frederick F. "Fred" Johnson left this world on Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020 to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

He was born Oct. 15, 1948 to Walter and Gladys Johnson and graduated from Rosary Cathedral in 1962 and Central Catholic High School in 1966. Majoring in accounting, Mr. Johnson graduated from the University of Toledo with a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1970. He continued his education at the University of Toledo earning a Master's Degree in accounting. Mr. Johnson's business career in hospital administration covered more than 40 years, retiring from Garden City Hospital in 2012. He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren. Loving minor league baseball, Mr. Johnson was a big Mud Hens fan and visited many minor league ball parks where he collected over 125 team baseball caps.

Among his survivors are his daughter, Amy Askelson; a son, Matthew Johnson; grandchildren, Cole, Keller and Delaney Askelson; a sister, Barbara Johnson, and a brother, Bob Johnson.

Services and visitation will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Thomas A. Becket, 555 South Lilley Road, Canton, MI 48188 in Mr. Johnson's memory.
To leave a special message for Mr. Johnson's family, please visit www.NewcomerToledo.com

9. Lost & Found

To whom it may concern we are reporting a lost passport number A00028075 from Uganda a country in the continent of Africa in the name of Navajo Safina if you come across it please give us a call 734-444-7058 or 734-629-6495

32. Help Wanted Drivers

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59. Auctions

Copart has vehicles up for public auction Tuesday 11/3/20 at 10 AM at www.copart.com:

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WAYNE - WESTLAND

Kiwanis Park home development is approved

The grass and play structures at Kiwanis Park on John Street in Wayne will soon be replaced with 22 new homes.

Members of the Wayne City Council approved the plan of Infinity Homes to build the homes on the property which is near Annapolis and Howe Road.

"This will actually be our first project in the City of Wayne," noted Infinity Homes owner Rino Soave at the Oct. 6 meeting of the council. "We do a fair amount of work right across the road in Romulus - we've probably built well over 350 homes in Romulus in the last seven or eight years."

He said that the homes will be designed for both first-time and upgrading buyers and will be considered affordable housing. The project will include both one and two-story houses with full basements and be in the less-than-$300,000 price range.

Soave said the project is "right in our wheelhouse."

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"We're right on the I-275, I-94 corridor. We kind of see Wayne as being one of those communities where a lot of people have grown up there and like to stay there. I'd compare it to Livonia or even a place like Westland," he told the council members. Construction is expected to start in the first quarter of 2021.

Members of the council also approved an 18-month agreement with Infinity Homes to develop Sue Winn Park, Vandenberg School and Angelo Demario Parks in the city although Soave said there are no plans yet for that property.

"It's a really big piece of land, so you could do some kind of combination between single-family and multi-family," he said. "We're really excited to be bringing a new development of housing to the City of Wayne," Soave said. "I think the city has been really welcoming to us."

New interim library director is named in Westland

Jennifer Roth has been appointed as the interim director of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland.

Members of the Westland Library Board unanimously appointed Roth to fill the position which became open when Library Director Ishwar Laxminarayan resigned last month. Laximinarayan had served as the library director from June 2018 until his resignation in September. Roth's appointment became effective Oct. 5.

Prior to her appointment, Roth served for three years as the head of Information Services for the Westland Public Library. She has more than 17 years experience in the field of library services, having formerly worked in libraries in Flint and Hartland. Roth graduated from Wayne State University with a masters degree in Library Information Science (MILS) in 2003 and is a member of the American Library Association as well as the Michigan Library Association, where she serves on the planning committee.

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"I am excited for Jennifer as she steps into her new role at the Westland Library," commented Mayor William R. Wild. "Throughout her employment she truly excelled at increasing innovation and access to technology for library patrons and has expanded programming geared towards adults of all ages."

Roth was highly recommended for the position by Laxminarayan .

"I am excited to take on this new position," commented Roth. "It has been an honor to be involved in the progress at the library over the past three years and I look forward to continuing that progress alongside our talented staff as we continue to navigate through these challenging times."

Jennifer Roth

$40,000 recycling educational expense is approved by council

Westland residents are about to get an education.

Members of the city council have agreed to spend $40,000 for material to educate residents about the newly-reinstated curbside recycling program. The funding will come from the Sanitation Fund of the city.

The city was forced to suspend the recycling program due to increased costs at recycling plants but was able to reinstitute the popular program in July after an additional sanitation millage was approved by Westland voters. Early results on participation have been very favorable, officials said at the Oct. 19 meeting, as the city recycling tonnage is quickly returning to the previous weight. However, officials noted, the required methods of recycling are not being adhered to by all residents and the results have produced many contaminated loads, "which unfortunately dramatically increases costs to the city."

The newly funded educational outreach will focus on the changes to the program, which include the requirements for all materials to be clean, dry and loose. Glass is also no longer accepted under this new program, officials said. The goals of the education initiative are to increase volume and participation, reduce contamination, and enhance community awareness of acceptable and unacceptable recycling materials. Funds will be used to purchase: magnets; recycling container labels; double-sided educational postcards; single-sided educational postcards and clear doorknob bags.

"Westland residents care deeply about our city, which is reflected by their incredible recycling participation, having previously diverted over 80 million pounds from the landfill," commented Mayor William R. Wild. "Through active engagement and outreach, we can further our shared goal of creating a sustainable community for future generations."

Distribution of educational materials is expected to take place in the upcoming weeks.

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Lawsuit

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team of Clerk Marjorie Banner, Treasurer Fred Shadko, Trustee Symantha Heath and Trustee Christopher Roosen have spent working on this issue with me," Nix said.

"There were 30 violations issued by EGLE to Advance over the last five years. In December of 2018 I requested the EGLE commence enforcement actions. After EGLE's enforcement actions failed and was not able to negotiate a consent order with ADS I said it was time to take action. As a result, Northville Township was joined by Brian Turnbull, mayor of the City of Northville and Kurt Heise, supervisor of Plymouth Township in requesting Attorney General Nessel to file an enforcement lawsuit against ADS."

Koleszar and Polehanki, whose districts include the Arbor Hills Landfill, have also been fielding resident calls about the site.

"This progress is due to the tireless work of advocates in our community," said Koleszar. "Our friends and neighbors stood up to say corporate polluters who willingly contaminate Michigan's air, water and land for the sake of profit must be held accountable - and I stand with you. I want to thank the Attorney General for joining us in this fight to protect our home."

Koleszar was critical of those he characterized as attempting to use the situation as a political gambit.

"Sadly, a lot of people in Western Wayne County are taking credit for yesterday's lawsuit; ironically, it's the very same people who ignored the residents of Northville when they could have acted. That's politics as usual," Koleszar said. "I want you to remember that the real heroes of the week are the parents and citizens of Northville who organized and kept up the hope, despite being ignored by their electeds for years."

"Northville Township residents have suffered far too long due to the negligence of the operators of the Arbor Hills Landfill," said Polehanki. "Their blatant disregard for air quality has been a nuisance to our community for years without meaningful improvement. Our community members and leaders persistently sounded the alarm about the landfill's continuous violations, and I am grateful for their fierce advocacy

Following investigations by EGLE and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, fugitive emissions were found to be the primary source of the odors. The state department issued multiple violation notices to the operator for its failures to properly operate the landfill and the gas collection and control system.

However, Advanced Disposal Services' failure to address the concerns has resulted in the state filing this lawsuit.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise was also supportive of the legal action.

"The negative impact of this landfill is one of the most important quality of life issues in Western Wayne County. We must be unified in controlling this hazard and make sure it never expands," he said.

Mark Abbo, candidate for Northville Township Supervisor, issued an immediate press release following the announcement.

"I have relentlessly called for a lawsuit to address these concerns, and have focused attention on the continuing problems with the landfill as a top issue in Northville Township," Abbo stated. "It is gratifying that the AG's office is finally responding to this demand and the will of our long-suffering residents," Abbo explained.

"This lawsuit provides our residents with the most effective vehicle for obtaining corrective actions to eliminate the odor nuisance," Nix said.

Sumpter

Trustee suggests adding local bike trails

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While the political campaign and the effects of the coronavirus continue to affect all local communities, Sumpter Township Trustee Don LaPorte wants to get back to community improvements.

During a meeting of the members of the township board of trustees earlier this month, LaPorte noted that the township administration and the trustees have been embroiled in political rhetoric and unfounded allegations, taking time and funding from community projects.

"We need to start doing more for the community," LaPorte said, following his report regarding a conversation with Wayne County Commissioner Al Haidous regarding progress at the Huron River Drive bridge. Haidous made inquiries with the county departments involved, LaPorte said, and Haidous said that the bridge project was on schedule and is expected to be complete Nov. 15. While that was the purpose of the conversation, LaPorte said, the two ventured into a conversation about other amenities for the township, including the possibility of adding bike trails in the community.

LaPorte said that he and Haidous discussed the viability of linking Belleville and Van Buren Township to Sumpter by bike trails. LaPorte said he suggested the possibility of linking the communities with a trail from Willis to Hull Road but Haidous explained that the entire state was currently being connected by trails. LaPorte said there could be a possibility of using utility easements or link to the Huron Clinton Metroparks bike trail.

LaPorte was quick to explain that the project, if pursued, would not take any private property.

LaPorte said that residents with whom he had discussed the project were in favor of the amenity but that there was some concern that the trails would attract motorized vehicles and bikes.

LaPorte said he would gather more information and bring it to the board members for consideration.

He reminded the trustees of the time the administration has spent in dealing with the political accusations of candidates for election and the delays caused by the pandemic.n

"It would have to be a community project and it probably would increase property values around it," he said.

He said he felt the board had been diverted by both the necessary response and safety measures caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the unfounded claims being made by some candidates for local township offices.

Letters

Incumbents are supported

Dear Sumpter Township Neighbors and Friends,

I have lived in Sumpter Township for close to 40 years and have witnessed many elected official come go, some good and some bad.

I firmly believe that the performance of the incumbents John Morgan (Supervisor), Esther Hurst (Clerk), Matt Oddy (Trustee), Don Laporte (Trustee), and Tim Rush (Trustee) over the last 4 years has been excellent. Based on the township meetings I attend and watch, these incumbents have proven to me that they are honest and that they provide transparency and always make sound decisions which support the residents of Sumpter.

The current board has increased the General Fund $2.7 million dollars, has reduced pension debt by $160,000, secured over $400,000 in Block and Grant funds, upgraded our street lighting which saves the residents thousands each year and is responsible for our township being the first township to be Storm Ready. There are many other accomplishments the board has achieved which have benefited us which I have not included.

Please take your vote seriously and review the candidates and their backgrounds as I have done. Don't fall for the political rhetoric and accusations presently being made by disruptive groups we have in Sumpter. I'm voting for these honest, "for the people" incumbents and I urge all the voters in our township to join me in supporting them.

Dick Harrison
Sumpter Township

Trustees receive praise

Dear Sumpter Residents,

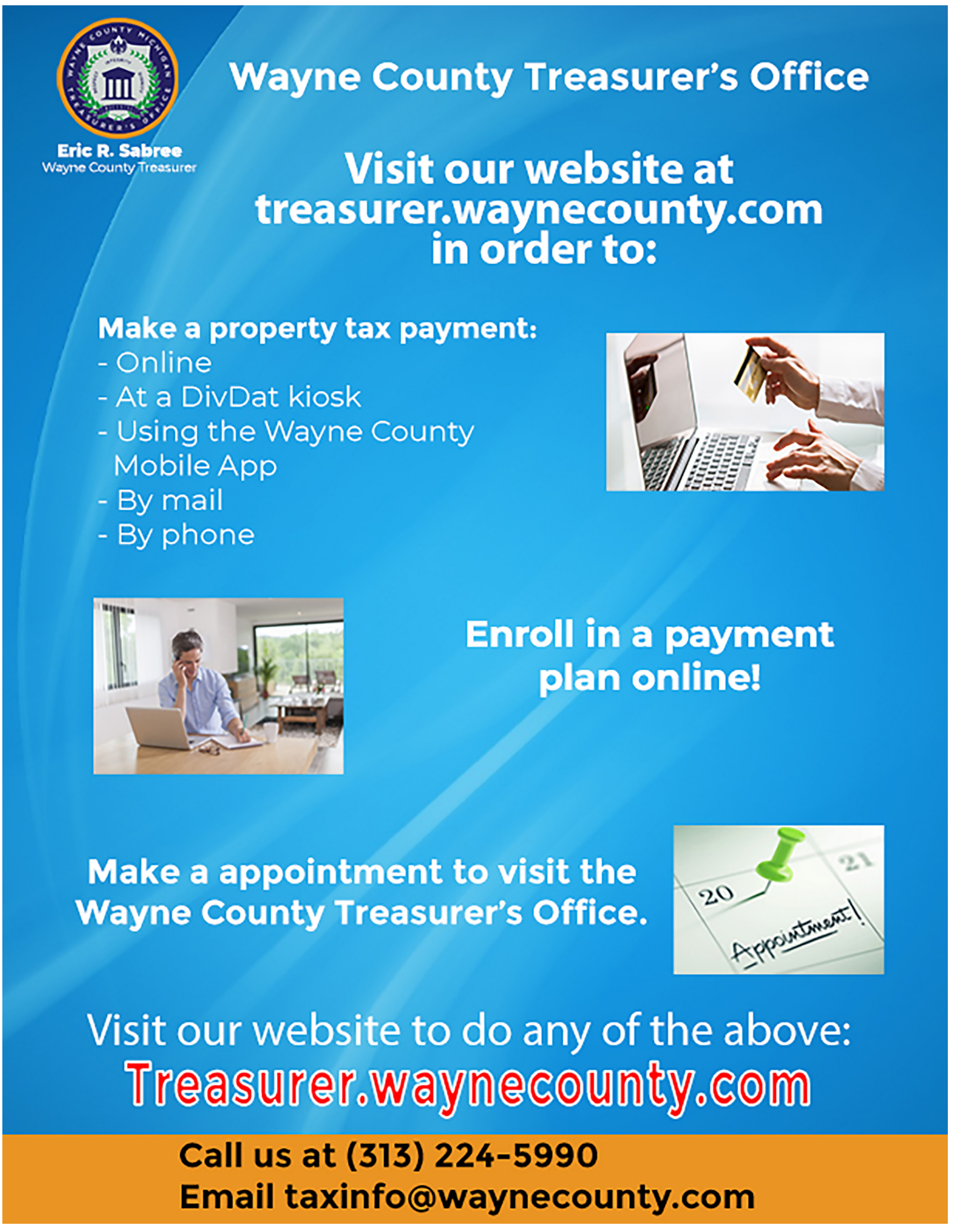
November 3rd is a critical election for our country, but, also locally in our community. The choices you make in our local election will have lasting effects for years to come.

I attend board meetings on a regular basis and the current board has done a fantastic job maintaining the stability of our public issues over the last four years and have kept our community safe during these trying times while maintaining financial accountability.

Attend a meeting and see this for yourself, watch a meeting on the township web page or even read the community newsletter. A summary of the accomplishments of this board can be found on page 6 of the Spring 2020 edition of the newsletter. This board has proven its effectiveness by its actions and not political rhetoric.

My vote is with the current board: John Morgan (Supervisor), Esther Hurst (Clerk), Matt Oddy (Trustee), Don Laporte (Trustee), Tim Rush (Trustee). Please also consider Vincent Warren as a write-in candidate for treasurer. Please consider giving your vote to these candidates.

Antoinette Oddy
Sumpter Township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